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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend paragraph beginning on page 13, line 6 to read as follows:

A plurality of pellet-shaped C12A7 polycrystal samples prepared through a solid-phase

reaction process were subjected to a heat treatment in different hydrogen-containing atmospheres

controlled at various temperatures as shown in Case Nos. 1 to [[7]] 8 of Table 1, and cooled to a

room temperature at various cooling rates. Each of the heat-treated samples was irradiated with

ultraviolet light from a Xe lamp for about 30 seconds, and a resistance between two terminals

spaced apart from one another by a distance of 2 mm was measured. Each of the resistance

values in Table 1 is an electric resistance at a room temperature after the ultraviolet irradiation.

Table 1 also shows the level of sensitivity to ultraviolet light (⊚: high, o: medium, ×: none). As

seen in Table 1, the polycrystal sample has a higher conductance in response to the ultraviolet

irradiation as the sample is cooled at a higher cooling rate after subjected to a heat treatment in a

hydrogen-containing atmosphere at a temperature of 800°C or more.

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Please amend Table 1 on page 13:

Table 1

| Case | Atmosphere | Heat Treatment | Cooling | Resistance | Sensitivity to Ultraviolet |
|------|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 1300°C × 2h | slow cooling (200°C/h) | 10 kΩ | 0 |
| 2 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 1300°C × 2h | furnace cooling (~ 600°C/h) | 8 kΩ | 9 |
| 3 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 1300°C × 2h | rapid cooling (> 50°C/h) | 7 kΩ | © |
| 4 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 1100°C × 2h | furnace cooling (~600°C/h) | 13 kΩ | 0 |
| 5 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 800°C × 2h | furnace cooling (~600°C/h) | 10^{10} [[k Ω]] Ω | × |
| 6 | 100%H ₂ | 1300°C × 2h | rapid cooling (> 50°C/h) | 8 kΩ | © |
| 7 | 5%H ₂ -95%N ₂ | 1300°C × 2h | rapid cooling (> 50°C/h) | 7 kΩ | 0 |
| 8 | 20%H ₂ -80%N ₂ | 800°C × 2h | rapid cooling (> 50°C/h) | 20 kΩ | 0 |